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Reports from Matanzas—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Yellow fever case at Cardenas; precautionary measures against spread.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, December 24 and 31, as follows:

Week ended December 22, 1906. Bills of health issued to 4 vessels leaving for United States ports, and 2 immune certificates and 1 certificate of protection from smallpox granted to passengers bound to Mobile via New Orleans. The American schooner *Mary B. Baird*, destined to Fernandina, Fla., was fumigated on the morning of December 20, being towed out of the harbor immediately afterwards.

The case of yellow fever at Cardenas, reported to the Bureau by cable to-day, was confirmed on December 22. The case is properly isolated at Cardenas. Sanitary brigades have been ordered to Colon, Jovellanos, and Cardenas, in order to carry out precautionary measures to prevent the spread of the disease.

Week ended December 29, 1906. Bills of health issued to 2 vessels leaving for United States ports, and 2 immune certificates granted to passengers bound to the United States via Habana.

The case of yellow fever reported December 22 at Cardenas recovered and was discharged during the past week. No new cases of that disease have been reported in this province.

There were 2 cases of enteric fever and 2 of diphtheria reported in the city during the week.

Unusually cold weather, accompanied by slight frost in some country districts, prevailed during the early part of the week. Very few mosquitoes have been noticed in the town during the week.

Report from Santiago—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, December 26, as follows: Week ended December 22, 1906. Bills of health issued to 3 vessels bound for the United States. No vessel fumigated.

No quarantinable disease has been reported.

GERMANY.

Report from Strasburg—Smallpox at Metz and Mülhausen.

Consul Brittain reports, December 10, as follows:

An outbreak of smallpox has occurred in the city of Metz, Lorraine, Germany. More than 30 cases are reported as taken to the hospital, and efforts are being made to prevent the spread of the disease. One case is reported in the city of Mülhausen, Alsace.

INDIA.

Report from Calcutta—Transactions of service—Cholera, plague, and smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Eakins reports, December 6, as follows:

Week ended December 1, 1906. Bill of health issued to the steamship *Mombassa*, bound for Boston and New York with a total crew of 34. The usual precautions were taken, holds fumigated and rat guards on wharf lines. No Asiatics on board.